

LOCAL NEWS.

Judge Hamilton S. Neale will preside at the March term of our county court.

Mr. F. R. White is making a topographical survey of the Parkers' farm, recently sold by Messrs. Browne, Jacob & Co.

Dr. E. P. Beadles, formerly of this county is a graduate in dental surgery at the University of Maryland this session.

In no large city on this continent, can living be had as cheaply as in Baltimore. The terms of the "Mail-by House" fully illustrate that fact.

Quarterly meeting will be held in the M. E. Church, Onancock to-morrow. Rev. J. H. Amis will be present and conduct the services.

Rev. W. C. Vaden will not meet his regular appointment at Locustville to-morrow. He will attend the quarterly meeting held at Onancock on that day.

Major Peyton S. Coles, Grand Lecturer of the Masons in Virginia failed to meet his appointment at Ocean Lodge last Wednesday night on account of sickness.

Rev. I. G. Fosnacht, pastor for the last four years of the M. E. Church, Onancock, has been sent to Lincoln, Delaware, by the Conference lately convened at Snow Hill, Md.

The concert given at Onancock for the benefit of the M. E. Church South was a success. The net proceeds realized were nearly enough to pay for the organ recently put in the church.

Rev. J. H. Amis, P. E., favored our society with a visit on Wednesday. No one could have been more cordially welcomed or would be happier to see, when it is convenient for him to call again.

The eclipse was observed on last Monday by the people of our town through smoked glass. The inky black surface of the moon against the sun, it is claimed by some, was visible even to the naked eye.

Dr. Frank Fletcher declines to be a candidate for the Senate another term, and we are authorized to announce that Mr. John W. G. Blackstone will be a candidate for the position. Mr. T. T. Wescott is willing to serve the people another year as a member of the House of delegates.

Dr. John T. B. Hyslop, of Craddockville is a graduate in medicine at the University of Maryland this session and being thoroughly posted in his profession, we bespeak for him a liberal patronage at an early day. He has our thanks for an invitation to the commencement and best wishes.

It is Rev. M. Oldham, who has resigned his office of Commissioner and not Mr. M. Oldham, Jr., as stated in our last issue. The mistake was made by our compositor. We are glad to note that Mr. Oldham, Jr., though quite old in understanding how to manage a clerk's office is still quite a young man physically.

Mr. C. B. Lilliston's store in our town is now the popular resort of those who wish to buy cheap clothing. The stylish ready made suits offered by him at half price, offers attractions which few can afford to ignore in these hard times. Read the extraordinary inducements he offers you through our columns.

The steamer Eastern Shore has taken the place of the Jane Mosley in the service of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad, between Norfolk and Cape Charles City, and will remain on the route until the new steamer now being finished at Wilmington for the company is completed, which, it is expected, will be in a few weeks.

Messrs. Floyd & Company corner Bowly's Wharf and Pratt street advertise their well known brands of fertilizers through our columns. The gentlemen who compose the firm Messrs. J. G. Floyd and Charles Yeatman are well known to our people and need no words of praise at our hands. Many of our farmers have used their fertilizers and know that they are first-class and well worth the money paid for them.

Messrs. T. T. Wescott, Wm. T. Killman, Wm. T. Mason and N. J. Kellam of the Pungoteague Grange and Messrs. Geo. H. Adair, Wm. T. Johnson, Fred Boone and W. F. Flemming of the Belle Haven Grange were elected at their regular meeting in February as members of the Eastern Shore Agricultural Association. Another meeting of the Grangers was held at Belle Haven on Thursday last for the purpose of perfecting arrangements for the Fair to be held under their supervision this year.

Hawk's Nest.

Mr. J. H. Balenborg, one of the best known and most reliable commission merchants of New York paid us a visit this week.

The black pony of Mr. Wm. C. Mapp made a mile this week in 2:40 and his "Orphan Boy" is also fast developing into a trotter of rare promise.

Capt. John E. Mears is again loading his schooner in our waters with oysters for Morris river and the cash thereby put in circulation in this community gives the mercantile business something of a boom.

A trap gun set by our watchful merchant, Mr. T. G. Elliott last week has led to the detection of two thieves and the arrest of one of them. Kiah Powell, colored, the thief "who sprung the trap gun" is now nursing the wounds received in haunts unknown to the constable, by whom he is wanted. His accomplice, one Edmund Coleman, colored, and the receiver of the stolen goods, taken from the warehouse of Mr. Elliott at divers times, is lodged in jail to wait the action of the grand jury.

Atlantic.

Mrs. S. J. Marshall is recovering from a long and serious illness.

Dancing has been the popular amusement with our young folks this winter.

The Queen Hive saw mill, after a brief stand still has resumed operations.

Better times are looked for, and a revival of business with the opening of the spring oyster trade.

Our teacher, Miss Busby, has returned from a visit to Norfolk, accompanied by her sister Miss Lena.

The hog cholera, so destructive in our community this winter, has spent its force. Mumps now prevail to the affliction of many of our citizens.

Two new dwellings are to be erected in our village this spring, by Dr. Thos. T. Taylor and Mr. T. G. Nock, dealer in cord wood. A new church will be built soon also, on land donated by Mr. Nock.

Northampton County.

Transfers of real estate.

Bayly Bell and wife to James Bell, 98 acres near Marionville; \$1,000.

James Smith to Asa Dix, 94 acres near Franktown; \$200.

Shepard Roberts to Luther N. Boggs, 46 1/2-100 acres near Birds Nest Station; \$9.25.

Wm. L. Scott to J. Kate Smith of Norfolk, 5 lots at Cape Charles; \$825.

Transfers of personal property.

Thomas Parsons to Frank Parsons of Capeville, schooner Julia S. Brown.

Wm. S. Cruser of Norfolk to O. Lawson Rooks of Capeville, schooner C. C. Cruser.

Court notes, etc.

P. W. Savage appointed guardian of J. A. Snipkins.

John R. Nottingham appointed guardian of Susan Abrams.

Geo. W. Widgeon, seriously injured by being tripped by a rope at Cape Charles, recently, is convalescent.

A horse of Nathaniel Shroeder, fell dead on road near Eastville this week.

River View School Entertainment.

The neighborhood of River View was enlightened on the evening of last Friday, 13th, by a private social entertainment given by Mrs. Manie Rue's school. The occasion being the birthday of the teacher, only the pupils and their parents were invited. After partaking of an elegant supper, the evening's pleasures were furthered by the school chanting the Lord's prayer in concert, accompanied by music on the organ. After which Miss Annie Thomas beautifully recited the exquisitely touching poem, "Which? Master Healy Rue gave us Johnnie's Opinion of Grandmas: Miss Nellie Ward with much ease sang Precious Name in German; Miss Sadie Rue recited Works and Play; Miss Annie McPherson recited The Snow; Miss Caddie McPherson with childish pathos, recited Little Rain Drops. The Sale of Old Bachelors was so humorously rendered by Miss Nellie Ward as to convulse all with laughter. There being only one bachelor present the tables were turned on him. Exercise Chorus was finely executed by the little folks. Three Little Bachelors in a Basket were nicely recited and acted by Miss Julia Rue, Miss Nellie Ward with inimitable grace read in German. We are seven: Master George Guy followed with a translation of the poem. The exercises closed with chanting the 23rd Psalm. The whole affair reflected credit on teacher and pupils. The remainder of the evening the children entertained themselves with charades and such games as are pleasing to childhood. B. A. R.

Quarterly Meetings.

Appointments of Rev. J. H. Amis, Presiding Elder, M. E. Church, South, Onancock circuit, Onancock, March 21 and 22.

Berlin circuit, Taylorsville, March 28 and 29.

Pungoteague circuit, Garrison's April 4 and 5.

Belle Haven circuit, Powelton, April 11 and 12.

Eastville circuit, Capeville, April 18 and 19.

Dorchester circuit, Dethlehem, April 25 and 26.

South Dorchester, May 2 and 3.

Dorset mission, Milton, May 3 and 4.

Last Call.

Mr. Editor:—I have delayed transmitting to the Adjt. General the "Roll of Honor" of Accomac's soldiers of the Confederacy, hoping to get the name of all living and dead. Many of the living seem not to care—while many of the heroic dead seem to be utterly forgotten by those to whom their memory should be priceless. I will wait further till the 30th inst.,—court-day—not an hour longer.

G. T. SCARBURGH.

Rev. John McNabb will hold Lenten services in St. James Episcopal Church at Drummondtown every Wednesday night at 7:30.

Obituary.

The following from the pen of her former pastor, Rev. John G. Anderson, is a deserving tribute to one of the noblest women of our county.

Died, February 20th, at Accomac C. H., Va., Mrs. Mary E. Wilkins, beloved wife of Wm. B. Wilkins, and eldest child of T. J. Powell, in the 35th year of her age.

Mrs. Wilkins was a woman of untiring energy, genial spirit, bright and cheerful disposition. She was frank, generous, and warm-hearted. It was hard for the community to realize that one so full of life could really be dead. She was of quick temper, but ready to repair an injury, and when convinced of wrong ready to abandon it. And withal she was most unselfish. Her heart was full of sympathy for the young, but responded even more readily to appeals of suffering and affliction. It was her delight to "walk the Bethesda porches of the world," and relieve suffering humanity. She was identified with every interest in the community for doing good; and in her death the community has sustained a heavy loss.

About ten years ago she united with the Makefield church, of which she remained a consistent and most zealous member till her death. Here her loss is felt even more keenly than by the community. She loved the church of her choice with a strong, unwavering attachment. Nothing seemed too much for her to do for it. The writer was pastor for six years, and can testify that never did church or pastor, during that time, suffer for anything that she could do for them. And yet never was greater humility united to untiring zeal. I recall now a conversation on some Christian duty I had with her just before the close of my pastorate a year ago. It was a little while before she could gain sufficient control of herself to express her feelings. When she did, she expressed them in terms of deepest humility. "How can the church do without her?" was the question upon many lips.

Her loss to her family is irreparable. She leaves a heartbroken husband, a deeply afflicted father, and five little orphan children. May the Lord in mercy comfort them!

Her end was peace. To the last she was thinking of what she might do for the church and for others. Her hope of salvation rested, she said, upon her Saviour. She had always trusted him. A vast concourse of people followed her sadly to her grave, and from young and old, both white and black, came many an exclamation—"I have lost my best friend."

Mr. Joseph G. Laws, aged 42 years, brother of Judge B. T. Gunter, died suddenly of apoplexy, at his home in St. Mary's county, Md., where he was engaged as clerk for Powell & Joyner, last Sunday morning, and his remains were brought home for interment in the old family burying ground last Wednesday. The deceased was one of those genial, good natured and noble hearted men that everybody was fond of, who knew him well. No one had more intimate acquaintance with him than the writer, or appreciated the worth of the man more. As schoolmate and companion in later years, many will join us in sincere regret at his untimely death.

Mr. James P. Lilliston, a kind neighbor, useful citizen, and consistent member of the Methodist church, died of dropsy, after an illness of several months, at his residence near Accomac C. H., last Wednesday, aged 45 years. Funeral services were held over his remains at the church of which he was a member, conducted by Rev. J. W. Carroll, on Thursday.

Mr. Major Mason, one of our oldest and most respected citizens, died suddenly of a congestive chill, at his home near Masonville, last Thursday and was buried on Friday. He died at the ripe age of 79 years, but will be none the less universally regretted by those who knew his worth as a friend and citizen.

Capt. Charles T. Brown died, after a brief illness, at his residence near Boggsville, this county, on the 4th inst., in the 65th year of his age. He was a worthy and good citizen, and had the friendship and esteem of all who knew him. A wife and several children devoted to him survive to mourn their loss.

Mr. Editor:—I desire a short space in your columns to reply to an editorial in the Virginia, of last week, so far as it concerns "A Member Democratic County Committee."

The whole question seems to narrow itself down to this, viz. Whether or not the signatures of the County Committee are necessary as a prerequisite to a formal appointment, either as a necessity function belonging to the committee itself, or recognized as necessary by the appointing power. I understand the Virginia to hold the affirmative of this proposition, and based on the latter ground. The Virginia, a short time ago said in substance in regard to our Congressmen, to whom most of these petitions are directed, that he considered the signatures of the County Committee to a petition as merely advisory; and that by no means would be follow blindly their recommendations; in other words, that he looked upon the County Committee as men who were good Democrats, well acquainted with the people, and knew those who had worked for the party and deserved rewards at its hands. I have always considered this the views that Mr. Croxton held in regard to this matter, and also considered it the one the Virginia credits him with holding—I suppose, and have no doubt but that Mr. Croxton would as soon recommend a man for office who he endorsed by those whom he knows to be good and intelligent Democrats, as he would a man endorsed by the County Committee; and from my observation, petitioners have been about as eager to secure the signatures of prominent Democrats in the county as they have those of the County Committee.

I suppose that if Mr. Croxton, to whom, as I said before, the majority of these petitions are presented, fails to recommend equally every applicant whom he has reason to believe equally capable and honest, he will lay himself open to the censures of the Virginia.

Mr. Croxton only recommends those applicants; he has no power of appointment. Probably the Virginia will say that he is a private citizen, and as such has the right to recommend whom he chooses. I submit that he is not so much a private citizen in this respect as a member of the County Committee, for certainly the recommendations of the former will have much more weight with the appointing power than those of the latter. I simply cite this to show to what a position my friend's argument may lead him.

Therefore, not recognizing recommendations for office, either as one of our official duties, or recognized as a necessary prerequisite by any appointing power, we hold that we have the same right to sign our names to petitions and to discriminate between petitioners that any other citizen has; and the only difference, as we argued in the previous article, between writing the name officially and writing simply the name, is, that the former method saves the party to whom it may be presented, the trouble of inquiring who the signer is. A man's name has the same weight, whether written officially or not.

The Virginia conceded to us the right to discriminate between petitioners provided we sign our names in an unofficial manner.

For these reasons, and not simply because Mr. Brent signs his names "Editor of the Virginia," (which, I believe, is the only argument that he gives me credit for in his last issue,) I still subscribe myself,

A MEMBER DEM. CO. COM.

TANGIER, March 16th, 1885.

EDITOR OF ENTERPRISE:—Will you be kind enough to allow me a small space in your valuable paper to reply to some articles reflecting on the "Oyster Police Force." In answer to charges made, I beg leave to submit, that the oyster interests have been protected in as thorough manner as possible. A few isolated cases of the Maryland vessels trespassing in Virginia waters there have been, but they have been very few. I have been steadily engaged every day in cruising the waters of Tangier and Pocomoke Sounds and only in two instances have I been able to find any violators of our oyster law. On Monday the 2nd day of March, while sailing up Tangier Sound I discovered several Maryland vessels dredging on Fox Island oyster rock and immediately pursued them, but before I could get up to them, they all succeeded but one in getting back into Maryland waters. As soon as I got in rifle range of that one I opened fire and drove all of his crew below decks. The wind being fair however, that boat drifted over the line into Maryland before I could get to her and I only succeeded in firing one hundred round of cartridge into her, almost ruining her sail and yawl boat. Again on Monday, March the 9th I discovered a schooner which from his appearance I was satisfied did not belong to our Virginia fleet at work on Thoroughfare Rock in Tangier Sound I started after her and chased her into Maryland, and we had a running fight of it and I kept up a constant fire upon her and could plainly see the splinters fly from her stern and cabin doors when my bullets struck her. I have been informed that the owners of the Crisfield and Smith Island vessels feel very much aggrieved over the loss of the privilege of robbing Tangier Sound as they have always done heretofore, and consequently have feelings of enmity toward me in proportion to the loss of the privileges I have deprived them of. By publishing the foregoing facts you will confer a favor on your

Humble Servant,

E. J. CORBIN,

Capt. Police Schooner W. S. Rodgers.

Mr. Editor:—The Matthews county authorities "fail to see any injustice done" to captains Reed and Richardson whom they declared to be "really guilty" of violating the oyster law and yet "allowed to go free"—after payment of costs. It is more than doubtful if any "unprejudiced and fair minded man" can be found who "will say no wrong has been done in the premises." These men were either guilty or innocent. If there was a reasonable suspicion of guilt the only thing for that court was to send them on for indictment; if not so, then to discharge them. It had no right to try them. But declaring them to be "really guilty" they "were allowed to go free" as innocent—taking due care to mule them in costs they were not required to pay. The justices required \$4.50 as their fee, and compelled them to pay the Commonwealth's attorney a fee of \$10. If any costs accrued they were due by the Commonwealth—and the Commonwealth pays no fees to its prosecuting attorney in a Justice's Court. Was there no wrong in compelling these men to pay the costs—costs illegal in any event for the accused to pay? The letter of these authorities justifying their course will make "the public believe" more than everything else that "their money was extorted from them"—they being entirely powerless to resist or protect themselves." If these men were "really guilty" as stated by these authorities they could not without "wrong to the Commonwealth" be discharged by them; guilty or innocent, gross "injustice" and "wrong" also was done them in forcing them to pay illegal costs and such will be the verdict of "all unprejudiced and fair minded men."

VIRGINIA.

MARRIED.

UNDERHILL-ROBINSON—Near Marionville, March 4th, 1885, by Rev. L. J. Haley, Michael Underhill to Miss Maggie S. Robinson, both of Northampton.

PARKER-HILLIAR—Near Eastville, March 5th, 1885, by Rev. L. J. Haley, Henry F. Parker to Miss Arietta Hillier, both of Northampton.

ISDELL-ABRAMS—March 15th, 1885, James E. Isdell to Miss Susan Abrams, both of Northampton.

MILLINER-BUNDICK—At Woodberry, March 4th, 1885, by Rev. J. W. Carroll, Lee Milliner to Miss Oceana Bundick, both of Accomac county.

WATKINSON-JONKSON—At Pocomoke City, Md., March 16th inst., Mr. Golden W. Watkinson to Miss Rosa Lee Johnson, both of Accomac county.

Both of them have the same birthday and were married on their birthday.

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